

In the Claims

Please cancel Claims 12, 13 and 23. Please amend Claims 11, 14, 22, 24, 26 and 27 as follows:

11. (Twice Amended) A composition consisting essentially of:

- B1
- (a) rapamycin, or a biologically active derivative thereof;
  - (b) at least one costimulation blockade agent selected from the group consisting of anti-CD40 antibodies, anti-CD40L antibodies, CD40-Ig, CD40L-Ig, and soluble extracellular domain proteins of CD40 and CD40L and derivatives thereof; and
  - (c) at least one member selected from the group consisting of physiological carriers, vehicles and fish oil.

14. (Twice Amended) A kit consisting essentially of:

- B2
- (a) rapamycin, or a biologically active derivative thereof;
  - (b) at least one costimulation blockade agent selected from the group consisting of anti-CD40 antibodies, anti-CD40L antibodies, CD40-Ig, CD40L-Ig, and soluble extracellular domain proteins of CD40 and CD40L and derivatives thereof; and
  - (c) at least one member selected from the group consisting of physiological carriers, vehicles and fish oil.

22. (Amended) A composition consisting essentially of:

- B3
- (a) rapamycin, or a biologically active derivative thereof;
  - (b) at least one costimulation blockade agent selected from the group consisting of anti-CD40 antibodies, anti-CD40L antibodies, CD40-Ig, CD40L-Ig, and soluble extracellular domain proteins of CD40 and CD40L and derivatives thereof; and
  - (c) at least one member selected from the group consisting of physiological carriers, vehicles, corticosteroids, azathioprine, cyclophosphamide, cyclosporine, FK506, rapamycin, antibodies to lymphocytes, and fish oil.

B4 24. (Amended) A kit consisting essentially of:

- (a) rapamycin, or a biologically active derivative thereof;

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- (b) at least one costimulation blockade agent selected from the group consisting of anti-CD40 antibodies, anti-CD40L antibodies, CD40-Ig, CD40L-Ig, and soluble extracellular domain proteins of CD40 and CD40L and derivatives thereof; and
  - (c) at least one member selected from the group consisting of physiological carriers, vehicles, steroids, cytotoxic drugs, fungal derivatives, bacterial derivatives, antibodies and fish oil.
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26. (Amended) A composition consisting of:

- B2*
- (a) rapamycin, or a biologically active derivative thereof;
  - (b) at least one costimulation blockade agent selected from the group consisting of anti-CD40 antibodies, anti-CD40L antibodies, CD40-Ig, CD40L-Ig, and soluble extracellular domain proteins of CD40 and CD40L and derivatives thereof; and
  - (c) at least one member selected from the group consisting of physiological carriers, vehicles, steroids, cytotoxic drugs, fungal derivatives, bacterial derivatives, antibodies and fish oil.

27. (Amended) A composition comprising two active ingredients, wherein the active ingredients consist of rapamycin, or a biologically active derivative thereof, and at least one costimulation blockade agent, wherein the costimulation blockade agent comprises at least one agent selected from the group consisting of anti-CD40 antibodies, anti-CD40L antibodies, CD40-Ig, CD40L-Ig, and soluble extracellular domain proteins of CD40 and CD40L and derivatives thereof.

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Please add Claim 28 as follows:

28. (New) A kit consisting of:

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- (a) rapamycin, or a biologically active derivative thereof;
  - (b) at least one costimulation blockade agent selected from the group consisting of anti-CD40 antibodies, anti-CD40L antibodies, CD40-Ig, CD40L-Ig, and soluble extracellular domain proteins of CD40 and CD40L and derivatives thereof; and
  - (c) at least one member selected from the group consisting of physiological carriers, vehicles, corticosteroids, azathioprine, cyclophosphamide, cyclosporine, FK506, rapamycin, antibodies to lymphocytes, and fish oil.
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